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DEAR SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2001, please consider the following remarks:

REMARKS

The Examiner indicates in the present Office Action that the application contains claims directed to four patentably distinct species of the claimed invention, subspecies 1-6.

The Examiner has required restriction for examination purposes.

For the purposes of satisfying this requirement for restriction, applicant hereby provisionally elects species No. I. 5, claim 10 with traverse.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional costs or credit any overpayments to the deposit account of the undersigned, No. 03-1127.

Respectfully submitted,

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